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Box 1. How do we define the private sector?

• The private sector is defined as the part of the economy that is not controlled by the state. It includes all businesses and organizations that are not owned or controlled by the government.

• The private sector is characterized by the absence of state ownership and control. It is typically driven by profit motives and operates in a competitive market environment.

• The private sector is responsible for the majority of economic activity in most countries. It generates the majority of GDP and provides most of the employment opportunities.

• The private sector is often contrasted with the public sector, which is owned and controlled by the state. The public sector is responsible for providing public goods and services.

• The private sector is subject to the same laws and regulations as the public sector. However, it is often subject to less direct government intervention and control.

• The private sector is essential for economic growth and development. It is the primary source of innovation and investment in most economies.

The contractual framework

• The contractual framework refers to the legal and institutional arrangements that govern the relationships between different parties in the economy.

• It includes the laws, regulations, and customs that define the rights and obligations of individuals and organizations.

• The contractual framework is essential for the functioning of a market economy. It provides the legal basis for the exchange of goods and services.

• A strong contractual framework is necessary to attract investment and promote economic growth. It reduces the risk of fraud and ensures that contracts are enforceable.

• The contractual framework is shaped by the legal system and the institutions that enforce the law. It is a key determinant of the quality of the business environment.

• The contractual framework is also influenced by cultural norms and values. Different societies have different attitudes towards contracts and legal enforcement.

• Improving the contractual framework is a key priority for many developing countries. It is essential for creating a more attractive and competitive business environment.

Box 2. Type of contractual arrangements in PPPs

Contracting out: The government contracts a private company to provide a service. The government retains ownership and control of the service. (f. ex. cleaning services, security services, etc.)

Management contract: The government contracts a private company to manage a public service. The government retains ownership and control of the service. (f. ex. management of a public hospital, etc.)

Lease: The government leases a public asset to a private company. The private company is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the asset. (f. ex. lease of a public building, etc.)

Concession: The government grants a private company the right to provide a public service. The private company is responsible for the investment, operation, and maintenance of the service. (f. ex. concession of a public road, etc.)

Full divestiture: The government sells a public asset to a private company. The private company is responsible for the investment, operation, and maintenance of the asset. (f. ex. sale of a public building, etc.)

The diagram illustrates the five types of contractual arrangements in PPPs, showing the relationship between the government and the private company. In 'Contracting out', the government provides the service and the private company provides the labor. In 'Management contract', the government provides the service and the private company manages it. In 'Lease', the government provides the asset and the private company operates and maintains it. In 'Concession', the private company provides the service, invests in the asset, and operates and maintains it. In 'Full divestiture', the private company provides the service, invests in the asset, and operates and maintains it, while the government owns the asset.

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Ghana's Urban Sector-Recipe for Privatization?

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Overview of PPP in Small Towns

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Box 4. Some Options for making PPP more pro-poor

- **Targeting** – targeting PPP to the poor, for example through a means test or a community-based targeting system.
- **Design** – designing PPP to be pro-poor, for example by providing a larger benefit to the poor or by providing a benefit that is more valuable to the poor (e.g. a cash transfer or a food voucher).
- **Implementation** – implementing PPP in a way that is pro-poor, for example by providing a benefit that is more valuable to the poor (e.g. a cash transfer or a food voucher).
- **Monitoring and evaluation** – monitoring and evaluating PPP to ensure that it is pro-poor, for example by using a pro-poor index to measure the impact of PPP on the poor.
- **Integration** – integrating PPP with other social services, for example by providing a benefit that is more valuable to the poor (e.g. a cash transfer or a food voucher).
- **Political support** – building political support for PPP, for example by highlighting the benefits of PPP to the poor.
- **Cost-effectiveness** – ensuring that PPP is cost-effective, for example by using a cost-benefit analysis to evaluate the impact of PPP on the poor.

Conclusions / lessons learned

The main message is that PPP can be a powerful tool for reducing poverty and improving the lives of the poor, but it must be designed and implemented carefully to ensure that it is pro-poor and sustainable.

Acceptability of the process.

Acceptability of the process is a key factor in the success of PPP. It involves ensuring that the process is transparent, participatory, and accountable. This means involving the poor in the design and implementation of PPP, and ensuring that the process is fair and equitable. Acceptability also involves ensuring that the process is sustainable, meaning that it can be maintained over the long term.

Stakeholder involvement.

Stakeholder involvement is essential for the success of PPP. It involves identifying the key stakeholders in the process, including the poor, government officials, and civil society organizations. It also involves ensuring that all stakeholders have a voice in the process and that their views are taken into account. Stakeholder involvement can help to build trust and support for PPP, and it can also help to ensure that PPP is designed and implemented in a way that is pro-poor and sustainable.

Pro-poor Measures.

Pro-poor measures are those measures that are specifically designed to benefit the poor. These measures can include cash transfers, food vouchers, and other social services. Pro-poor measures can be designed in a number of ways, including by targeting the poor, providing a larger benefit to the poor, or providing a benefit that is more valuable to the poor. Pro-poor measures can be a powerful tool for reducing poverty and improving the lives of the poor.

Other Alternative Approaches to PPP

There are several other alternative approaches to PPP that can be used to reduce poverty and improve the lives of the poor. These approaches include conditional cash transfers, social safety nets, and community-based social services. Each of these approaches has its own strengths and weaknesses, and it is important to choose the approach that is best suited to the needs of the poor in a given context.

Leadership role of government.

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Challenge of linking up with CSOs

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Capacity building of sector institutions

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